

## The Florida House of Representatives

Chris Sprowls Speaker

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## Speaker Sprowls Appoints Rep. Linda Chaney to the Florida Cancer Control & Research Advisory Council

**TALLAHASSEE, Fla.** (April 2, 2021) — Today, Speaker of the Florida House of Representatives Chris Sprowls, R-Palm Harbor, appointed Representative Linda Chaney, R-St. Pete Beach, to the Florida Cancer Control & Research Advisory Council.

"Representative Chaney is a trailblazer and dedicated public servant," said Speaker Sprowls. "From founding a business that saved women's lives through the early detection of breast cancer to creating a charity that helps women trapped in prostitution and drug addiction, her impact on Pinellas County continues to have lasting effects. I am proud to appoint her today to Florida's Cancer Control & Research Advisory Council where she can be a voice for cancer patients and survivors."

Established by Florida Statute, the Council reviews the study of cancer and provides recommendations and policy solutions to the Board of Governors and State Surgeon General. The Council consists of 15 members, two of whom are appointed by the Speaker of the House. Representative Chaney fills a vacant position to be appointed by the Speaker. Additional members include the State Surgeon General, representatives from the Moffitt Cancer Center, the American Cancer Society, as well as specialists in oncology.

Representative Chaney was elected to the Florida House in 2020 after co-founding a mobile mammography business. Over 20 years ago, Representative Chaney lost her husband to brain cancer. Her experience in the nonprofit sector, working with Eckerd College, helped adults earn their degrees and find high-paying jobs. She also served on the St. Pete Beach City Commission, representing the city at the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council and the Pinellas County School Board.

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